THE X RAYS AT WEST POINT.

Experiments of Professors of the

Military Academy Successful.

Professor Tillman and his assistants.

Lieutenants Davis and Russell, of the De-

partment of Chemistry and Electricity at the Military Academy, West Point,

have succeeded in producing some ex-

FOR NEWPORT NEWS Efforts to Secure the Free Mail Delivery

PACTS ABOUT THE YOUNG CITY. Its Rapid Growth in Population-

Its Prominence in the Fareign-Baport Business-Its Grent Industries.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February H .pscial.)-Last week Mr. Irwin Tucker, cmaster of the city of Newport News, was in this city on business connected with the Post-Office Department, but it ould not be ascertained what was the special object of his mission. It has since transpired, however, that Representative). Gardiner Tyler presented him to the Pirst Assistant Postmaster-General, before whom he made a strong appeal for a free-delivery service for Newport News etting forth the reasons why that city should have a service under the law. Since this visit and presentation the First Assistant Postmaster-General has referred the matter to the Postmaster-Gen-

Representative Tyler was an early caller at the Post-Office Department today, and one of the first who were given udlence by the Postmaster-General. He called specially to urge the claims of Newport News, and did so in an able manner. He presented a tabulated statement, showing that since 1892 the city has been entitled to the free-delivery service; that the postal receipts were in excess of \$10,000; that since that year the average receipts have been more than \$10,000 per annum, and that for the year ending December 31, 1895, the receipts in round numbers reached the sum of

eral, and it cannot as yet be learned whether he made any recommendations

The law providing for free-delivery service requires that the town or city should have a population of 19,000, and \$10,000 in postal receipts, all of which, said Mr. Tyler, has been compiled with by Newport News.

This, he says, gives the authority to establish a free-delivery service.

NEWPORT NEWS FIGURES.

The city has increased in population to bearly 12,000, and does the largest ex-port trade of all the cities on the Atlantic coast south of Baltimore, having in 1895 shapped from her piers more than \$14,000,000 worth of American products to foreign

In her corporate limits is situated the finest ship-building plant in the United States, in which is invested 16,090,000, and which gives employment to 2,500 me-chanics yearly. Five United States ships

are under construction at this yard, be-pides a number for the merchant marine. The great Chezapeake and Ohio trunk-line railroad has its terminus there, and connects there with a regular line of steamships, which sall for English ports

On every side, said Representative Tyer, the merit of Newport News is
seing recognized. He felt sure that her
laim for the free-delivery service is unleastloped, and he hoped the Postmaser-General would see his way clear to
granting it. Fut the young and prosperous city, he said, on the same footing with other cities of the same finandial and commercial standing in the
sorid. In April this service will be extended to

twenty cities, but up to the present time Newport News has not been included in the number, though few of them could show such a remarkable record as that made by the young giant at the mouth of

The Postmaster-General would not give Mr. Tyler any positive promise as to including Newport News in the free-delivery class of cities, but said he would send an inspector there, and, after receiving that official's Feport, would take the matter under consideration.

It is understood that the appropriation for extending this service is too small, and, this being a Bepublican Congress, there is little hope of having it increased, for the Finance Committee is engaged in cutting down every-

RELIEF BILLS.

Adamant via Pennington Gap. Robert B. Bowling has been commis-sioned postmaster at Colleen, Va.

PERSONAL POINTS.

probably get two.

Representative Otey to-day introduced the Joint resolution of the Virginia General Assembly asking for the erection of a memorial bridge across the Potomac, connecting Arlington with this city. ARRIVALS.

The hotel arrivals today included the in Hanover fall, charged with betrayal and breach of promise, was to-day granted ball.

following:
W. H. Posts, Flichmond, Va.; L. Cotton,
Predericksburg, Vu.; H. K. McCollum,
Virginia, National.
E. R. Harrison, Virginia; E. L. Pemberton, North Carolina; J. L. Humbert,
Vinginia, Mctropolitan.
A. D. Minor, M. D., Virginia, Ebbitt

J. Hechs, Roanoke, Va., Fritz Reuter's, frs. Humphrey, North Carolina, Hotel T. Mankin, Conb's Hotel.

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C. T. Mankin, Coth's Hotel
R. R. Holbrook, Virginia, Hotel Emrich,
H. C. Armentrout, Virginia, the Oxford
R. F. Tucker, Alexandria, St. James,
W. M. Carter, Winston, North Carolina;
J. L. Tailaferro, Virginia; J. L. Johnson,
Colpeper, Va.; P. H. Galleen, Northampton, Va., Raleigh
H. C. Maddox, C. A. Johnston, Virginia;
W. W. Godwin, Virginia; L. Ambeth, Norfolk, Va., Hotel Johnson,
H. V. Turner and wife, Virginia; H.
Clark and son, Richmond, Hotel Vendome,
H. C. Maddox, Hotel Regent,
W. H. Luck, Virginia; W. Wilkins, J.
Sammers, and R. S. Neal and wife, Charlottesville, Va.; J. C. Armstrong, O. H.
Jackron, D. B. Hayes, and C. C. Hayes,
Petersburg; J. Robinson and wife, Virginia, Howard House,

POSTSCRIPT.

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F. Regers, of Charlottesville, and Fannie
E. Middleton, of this city.

A suit was filed to-day by Mathew
Hobsen against the Baltimore and Potomae railroad for \$15,000 damages, on account of injuries sustained by his wife
at Alexandria, Va., May 17th last.

Miss Mamie Donnelly left to-day for
Rocky Mount, N. C.

DIRECTION OF X RAY.

Experiments of Thomas A. Edison to

Prove Prof. Roentgen's Theory.

BAD DAY FOR THE TALENT. Only Two Favorites Win at New

Orleans-Sensation. ORLEANS. February IL-The ndicap furnished quite a sensation, and caused a lot of kicking. There was hardly a person on the ground that did not think Wolsey had won by a good open length. Wolsey finished on the outside oy the judges' stand, with Uncle Jim and Lagniappe noses apart on the inside, and just how to place a horse between them was more than the public could understand. Orinda was backed to even money, and failed to get inside money. The horses ran in a close bunch to the stretch, with Wolsey trailing his field when he moved up and took the lead at the end of the stand, but the judges placed them as above. nk Wolsey had won by a good oper

when he moved up and took the lead at the end of the stand, but the judges placed them as above.

F. Williamson's Koenig gave the race away right at the wire, by going to the whip when his mount was winning easily, allowing him to swerve all over the track. In the first Acelight was backed for a good thing, but failed to show, finishing a bad last.

The talent had a bad day. Lochinvar and Chicot being the only winning favorites. The starting was fair. Weather clear and warm; track good.

First race—six furlongs, selling—Stanza di2, Ham, 5 to 2; won, Equinox second, Part III. third. Time, 137.

Second race—half a mile, for 2-year-olds—Jane Eyre (32, Hill) won, Koenig second, Oxeye third. Time, 50 24.

Third race—seven furlongs, selling—Chicot (103, Hill, 6 to 5) won, Souvenir second, Bird Catcher third. Time, 126 1-2.

Fourth race—one and one-sixteenth miles, handicap—Lagniappe (36, Caywood, 6 to 1) won, Wolsey second, Uncle Jim third. Time, 1:51 3-4.

Fifth race—one mile—Lochinvar (112, Simms, even) won, Tom Donodue second, Eagle Bird third. Time, 1:44.

Slixth race—one mile—Rossmore (104, Dunn, 3 to 1) won, Princess Ross second, Alto June third. Time, 1:45.

GREATER STAUNTON. The County Will Fight the Annexa-

tion Scheme. STAUNTON, VA., February 11.-(Spe-

cial.)-Yesterday a highly important meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Augusta county was held. In addition to much routine work, the board had before

much routine work, the board had before it the matter of the proposed annexation of a portion of Beverly Manor District by the city of Staunton.

A vigorous resolution in opposition to the annexation plan was adopted, in which resolution is recited that the board is assured upon investigation that a large majority of those whose residence, citizenship, and property would be involved are earnestly opposed to the extension, and a petition with 500 names is filed as evidence of the sentiment of those directly affected.

WILL REDUCE REVENUE.

Further, the board says that the annexation plan will operate to reduce the county revenue, and in no way relieve it of burden. It is charged, too, that the lines of extension are inequitably projected, and will necessitate changes in the schools and voting precincts of the schools and voting precincts county, and, possibly, require a redistrict-ing of the county. Messrs. Echols, Simms, and Walker are urged to resist annexation, and Hon. Thomas R. N. Speck, and County-Clerk William A. Burnett are appointed to assist Commonwealth's Attorney Meade F. White and ealth's Attorney Meade F. White and useph A. Glasgow in opposing before the egislature the annexation proposed. ORDERED TO BE PAID.

On report of Engineer Carter Harriso On report of Engineer Carter Harrison that the iron bridge over South river at Coyner's Mills had been completed and approved by the County Court, the Board of Supervisors allowed the builders, the Brackett Bridge Company, of Cincinnat, the contract price, \$1,900, payable out of the levy of 1836.

is engaged in cutting down every-g in sight.

Casey for allowing his cattle to trespass upon the lands of Ro. A. Wright, and against Sylvester Pierce for house-break-

RELIEF BILLS.

Representative Meredith to-day introduced a bill for the relief of Joseph C. Boxley, providing for the payment to him of \$2.800, due for supplies furnished the United States army during the late war.

He also introduced a bill for the relief of the heirs of Silas Burke, late of Fairfax county, Va., providing for the payment of the sum of \$25.000 for supplies furnished the United States army during the late war.

A post-office has been established at Do nino, Lee county, Va., with George L. Pennington as postmaster. Mail from Adamant via Pennington Gap.

Mr. Albon Henley, from Newport News, was here to-day to visit his father, Major John A. Henley.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Dr. Walter C. Murphy, of North Carolina, and Mrs. Mary Staples McNett, formerly of Virginia, will be married to morrow by Dr. Hugh Johnston, of the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal church. The wedding will take place at noon at the residence of the bride, in the presence of a few intimate friends, and the bridal couple, tunnediately after the wedding breakfast, will go South.

Mr. F. N. Pike, of Old Point, Va., is in the city, stopping at the Ebbitt House. Hon, Eppa Hunton, of Warrenton, Va., is in town, stopping at the Normandie. Representative Tyler presented a petition from citizens at Ocean View, Va., asking, for increased mail facilities at Grimes was before Mayor Taylor, and cial.)—George Washington Grimes, a col- and ored man, was arrested in Richmond last the Mr. F. N. Pike, of Old Point, Va., is in the city, stopping at the Ebbitt House. Hon, Eppa Hunton, of Warrenton, Va., is in town, stopping at the Normandie. Representative Tyler presented a petition from citizens at Ocean View, Va., asking, for increased mail facilities at that thriving and popular seaside resort. They want three mails a day, and will was sent on to the grand jury. Sergeant Trevillian took the orisoner to Hanover, and this afternoon.

jail this afternoon.

Mr. E. M. Delarae, one of the prominent merchants of Ashland, is exceedingly ill. His trouble is absense of the liver. He has been confined to his room for seven

Mr. E. J. Tiller, who has been confined

COLLECTOR OF TAXES ASSIGNS.

To Secure the City of Lynchburg e and Others.

LYNCHBURG, VA., February II.—(Special.)—A deed of assignment was recorded in the office of the Cierk of the Corporation Court of this city this aftermoon from Mr. Charles W. Price, Collector of Delinquent Taxes of Lynchburg, and his daughter, Mrs. Willie M. Doubleday, to Mr. F. S. Kirkpatrick, trustee, Mr. Price's liabilities are not named in the deed. His assets are several insurance policies, and a house and lof, which are assigned to secure the city of Lynchburg; Mr. Chilton Dewitt, Price's surety; Thornton A. Atkinson, and the Kinckle estate. The exact status of the case cannot be ascertained at present.

J. Hampton Hoge has arrived here to push his effort to make a contest for the seat to which Representative P. J. Otey was elected. He will be allowed a hearing before the committee to-morrow.

Mr. John Hogan, of Richmond, who travels through the South and Mexico for a Boston firm, passed through this city to-lay on his way home.

Marriage-licenses were issued to-day to lohn P. Pommens and Emma Wilkins, both of Charleticaville, Va., and Charles fund the money if it fails to cure, So.

WORKING ON PRACTICAL TESTS.

Possibility of Using the Radiation in Cases of Consumption-Photograph of a Gridiron, and the Re-

(New York Times-lith.)

Thomas A. Edison did not make a Roentgen photograph of a skull yesterlay at his laboratory in Orange, because the large tubes which are being prepared that purpose were not ready. spent a busy day, however, in making experiments designed to bring out the properties of the X rays.

According to the theory favored by Professor Roentgen, the X rays are sent in lines perpendicular to the plate the cathode of the Crookes tube, Edison has begun a series of experiments by which he hopes to prove that this theory is the correct one.

To accomplish this result he has taken a Gelester tube, exhausted to a medium vacuum, and placed a photographic sensitive plate at right angles to its long diameter. Underneath this plate he has placed his gridiron of different sub-

"I want to see," said Mr. Edison to a reporter yesterday afternoon, "if the Roentgen rays are really perpendicular

to the cathode plate, or if they curve be-tween the cathode and the anode in a manner analogous to magnetic rays.
"If the Roentgen rays are always per-pendicular to the plate which gives them off, then I ought to get no result from the exposure of the sensitive plate to them. On the other hand, if they from the exposure of the sensitive plate to them. On the other hand, if they curve like magnetic rays, Professor Roentgen's discovery will sink in importance. I am sure I wish with all my heart that the sensitive plate in this case will show no result, because it will indicate that the rays are truly perpendicular, and are therefore likely to give us some insight into the properties of the ether, which is likely to upset many of our preconceived ideas about it."

Geissler tubes were the forerunners of Geissler tubes were the forerunners of Crookes tubes, and were constructed to show the beautiful streams of different colored light which pass through them when an electric current is sent from one end to the other. They are low-vacuumed tubes, and the tension of the air inside would be represented by a thousandth of an atmosphere, which is a pressure at the earth's surface of about fifteen pounds to the square inch. An a pressure at the earth's surface of about fifteen pounds to the square inch. An ordinary electric-light bulb has a tension of about a hundred thousandth of an atmosphere, while a Crookes tube has a tension of about a milliouth.

Mr. Edison's plan is to attach a Geissier tube to a Sprengel mercurial air pump and then connect with a battery an induction coil, which makes and breaks the current about forty times a second. When the Geissier teneion is reached a beautiful stream of pink light flows between the poles of the tube. As the vacuum becomes higher the stream of light grows paler and more purple in vacuum becomes higher the stream of light grows paler and more purple in color, finally ceasing altogether. Meanwhile the glass wall of the tube glows with violet phosphorescence. When the tube attains its highest degree of phosphorescence, and the inside light between the poles has stopped, Mr. Eduson knows that the right vacuum pitch has been reached. The tube is then hermetically scaled with a blow-pipe, and it is then in a condition to be removed to the experiment table, in order to produce Roent-gen rays.

gen rays.

The reporter drew Mr. Edison's attention to the fact that several experimenters in this city recently had claimed that they could produce Roentgen photographs without the intervention of a Crookes or other vacuum tube. Mr. Edison resulted.

to magnetic stress. This, in turn, acts on the plate evenly everywhere, except where the coins partially intercept the

"Look at that peculiar compound known as lodde of nitrogen, for example. It is so sensitive that it will explode at the sound of your voice. If sound waves are sufficient to explode lodde of nitrogen, why may not electric waves decompose saits of silver? It is a curious thing that several of our sensitive plates have recently turned black while wrapped up in their cases, and I have no way of accounting for it, except that they have somewhere come within the range of electric currents in this laboratory. I intend to try the effect of the Roenigen rays on iodide of altrogen to see whether they will explode it or not."

Mr. Edison's mind was fairly bristling with schemes yesterday for trying the effects of the X rays so as to gel-some practical use out of them. He explained

effects of the X rays so as to get-some practical use out of them. In the way:

"You know that one of the effects of sunlight on water is to kill the germs and bacteria which it contains. Now, the Roentgen rays, if they mean anything extraordinary, show a disturbance in the ether analogous to the waves of light. The X rays may be snort wave lengths beyond the invisible ritra violet rays, or they may be longer waves on the other side of the red in the spectrum. Whatever they are, they should

the other side of the red in the spectrum. Whatever they are, they should have an effect similar to light.

"My plan is to get two patches of cultures of bacilli and inclose them in celluloid tubes which have already been shown to be almost completely retvious to the X rays. One of these patches I shall expose to the X rays, but not the other. Then I shall watch the effect to see if the patch of bacilli exposed to the X rays ceases to grow, white the

tissue except hone."
Mr. Edison has enlarged upon his plan for photographing part of a skull with Roentgen rays since last Saturday. He Roentgen rays since last Saturday. He now proposes to get a sensitive gelatine film, enclose it securely in a case of celluloid, and place it in the mouth of the subject to be photographed. Then he will allow his battery of five large vacuum fubes to play upon the head of the boy. By this means he expects to get a photograph of the frontal and parietal sutures of the skull, with perhaps darkened shadings to indicate the thickest masses of bone which lie between the sensitive plate and the vacuum tubes. He jokes about getting photographs of the brain, but it is only joking so far.

Owing to a failure in getting a high

graphs of the brain, but it is only joking so far.

Owing to a failure in getting a high yacquim in the Geissier tube, which he employed yesterday afternoon, Mr. Edison failed to get any concrete results from the negative test to prove that the Rontgen rays did not travel in curves. He will ressume this experiment to-day under more favorable conditions.

The chief work accomplished yesterday by him was a very clear Rontgen photograph of a gridinon composed of a piece of cardboard and three bars of three-quarter-inch steel. While the plate was blackened where only the cardboard intervened between it and the X. rays, the parts of it behind the three bars of steel were quite clear, proving that the rays did not penetrate the steel. The curious distortion noticed by Mr. Edison on Saturday, by which the photographs of the upper and lower bars appraised high-

er and lower on the plate respectively than their true places. was again observed in this case. While the photograph of the middle bar, which was directly opposite the cathode plate, was true and in its place, and with its edges looking as if they had been cut with a knife, there was a considerable penumbra at the edges of the photograps of the upper and lower bars. What this phenomenon indicates Mr. Edison is trying to find out. PROTECT SONG BIRDS.

AN APPEAL TO THE GOVERNOR OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Captain Ashe's Condition-Building Steel Bridge-Not So Hopeful-New Berne's Fish, Oyster, and

RALEIGH, N. C., February II .- (Spe cial.)-A convict from Granville county arrived at the penitentlary to-day, more will be sent there next Monday.

ing him to secure the enactment of a law protecting mocking birds. Under the present law mocking birds may be killed between March 15th and November 1st. The condition of Captain Samuel A. Ashe to-day shows improvement. George W. Blacknall's condition is criti-

have succeeded in producing some excellent Roentgen photographs.

The meagre details published in regard to the precise methods of other experimenters did not enable them to arrive at satisfactory results until a number of different arrangements had been tried. Owing to their regular duties i, the morning, these officers were able to experiment for only a few hours each afternoon. The work began on Wednesday. The first trials were made by sparking through a Crookes tube by the induced current from an induction cell, the primary circuit of the coil being broken about twenty-five times per second. This mary circuit of the coil being broken about twenty-five times per second. This arrangement proved insufficient to produce impressions by any reasonable exposure. Efforts were made to increase the X-rays, both by increasing the strength of the current of the primary and also by increasing the rapidity of the breaks therein. These changes were insufficient. way over the Neuse river, near Selma, There was a rumor last night that the Southern would build a line between

breaks therein. These changes were insufficient.

It was then decided to include a Hertz or Tesla oscillator in the circuit of the secondary discharge. The arrangement adopted consisted of two Leyden jars and a magnetic "blow-out." A wire was led from the negative pole of the secondary of the induction-coil to the knob of a two-gallon Leyden jar, the outside of this jar being connected with the cathode of the Crookes tube. From the anode of the Crookes tube a wire led to a brass discharging-ball, one-half inch in diameter. This ball was separated from a similar ball by one-half-inch air space. The second bail was connected by wire with the outer coating of a second. Leyden jar, the knob of this jar being connected with the positive pole of the secondary coil. The field of a small, strong electromagnet was directed across the air space between the discharging balls. With this arrangement an eight-ampere current was sent though the primary of the coil, this ourrent being broken about fifty times per second. With this rate of break the primary current fell to less than two amperes. Under this current, broken, as stated, the spark of the secondary in air was three inches.

The objects photographed were laid on MANY ATTORNEYS. Many attorneys are here to attend the Supreme Court this week. Among them are Iredell Meares, of Wilmington: M. D. W. Stevenson, W. W. Clark, and Charles R. Thomas, New Berne; Francis

es, chalk, and a lead-pends, during estarking, the glass of the Crookes so became equally hot at points on-site both the cathode and anode, which is not the case without the oscillator, is officers are pleased with their suc-se, a large proportion of the crediting due to the excellent suggestions of mechanical skill of Lieuteuant Russil. They expect to continue their expensions

SHOWED BULLET AND BONES.

saful Experiment in Montreal with Roentgen Rays.

(Montreal Dally Witness-Feb. 8.) The fortnightly meeting of the Mon Medico-Chirurgical Society was held in their rooms last night, the presi held in their rooms last night, the president, Dr. Blackader, in the chair. Owing to the fact that Professor Cox was to address the society on the recent cathode photography discovery and explain his experiments, the meeting was fully attended, the rooms not being able to accommodate the crowd. Among those present were Sir William Hingston, Drs. 150-ddick, F. W. Campbell, J. C. Cameron, George Armstrong, F. Buller, J. Bell, Welsley Mills, Ridley Mackenzie, H. Bell, Rollo Campbell, D. J. Evans, H. S. Birkett, G. T. Ross, J. A. Springle, Wilkins, Gurd, Haldimand, Wylde, Hamilton, Deeks, Findlay, Allan, A. Schmidt, Cowie, Mathewson, T. D. Reed, J. Lester Foley, Kennedy, W. Burnett, W. Wyatt Johnson, Kenneth Cameron, Carmichael, Girdwood.

"I do not believe that these results are obtained with Roentsen rays at all. We know that the salts of silver are liabs to decomposition by the chemical action of light, and also by mechanical means. My belief is that the outlines obtained by placing coins against sensitive plates and then subjecting plate and coin together to a current of electricity gives rise to electric stress similar in its action to magnetic stress similar in its action to magnetic stress. the photograph of the leg, and of several hands he had reproduced, to the audience. At the conclusion of Protessor Cox's remarks, he was tendered, on motion of Sir W. Hingston and Dr. F. W. Campbell, a hearty vote of thanks.

Dr. T. D. Reed, who was a most interested listener of Protessor Cox's in-

profession from the action of the cathode rays in photography. To a Witness reporter he sald:

"The most important feature of the meeting last night was the production of a photograph of the wounded leg of a patient, the patient himself being present, and the complete success of cathode photography, as applicable to practicable medicine, was acknowledged by all. What the profession was interested in was to have a practical illustration of this new manifestation of force to practical surgery, and this to all of us was highly satisfactory. I am quite sure that this process will be of wonderful benefit, and will be frequently evoked in difficult cases. We have much hope of its being useful in diagnostic medicine, because the soft tissues allow the rays to pass through them, and we cannot hope to have the internal organs or tumors any more accessible than before. In the case of the late President Garfield, for instance, the help of this new process would have been most desirable, because at that time, with all the resources of a nation, with the great electrician Bell at its head, all aftempts to locate the bullet failed, and a vast amount of probing was done. While the extraction of the built might not have changed the result, much suffering might have been saved had this process of photography been in vogue." porter he said:

KISSING LILLIAN RUSSELL. "Stage Feints" Too Tame-Asked Mr. Ling for a More Ardent Kind.

(Baltimore Sun.) Many of those who attended the ner-formances of "The Goddess of Truth" at the Academy of Music Saturday after-noon and night speculated to some ex-

of merriment from Liffian Russell during a duet with Mr. Richie Ling, the tenor, in the second act.

In the duet, which represents a tender passage between a beautiful princess and a love-lorn sculptor, the roies casaumed by Miss Russell and Mr. Ling, the latter is required to kiss the prima donna repeatedly, and did so with a zeal that left no doubt as to the genuine less of the osculation. The fervency of the embraces was also attested by the struggles for breath on the part of Lillian Russell.

While the final rehearcals were coming to an end the day before, Mr. Ling, in singing the duet, whenever the lines called upon him to kies the princess made the usual "stage feint." The prima donna became much annoyed, and finally ordered the rehearsal to come to an abrupt end.

"Mr. Ling," she asked, "have you ever kiesed a woman?"

The tenor looked surprised at the question, but admitted that he had.

"Well, if you have," she continued, "and know how to do so at the present time, I want you to kiss me in the proper way."

Mr. Ling promised that he would not

way."

Mr. Ling promised that he would not fail to carry out the wishes of his principal, and on Saturday threw all the energy be could command into the part, with the result that Lillian Russell was several times nearly convulsed with with and embarassiment.

Twenty were yesterday sent to the new State farm in Anson county, and 100 Governor Carr has received a letter from Tennessee, from the Association for the Preservation of Song Birds, urg-

The Southern railway is building a steel bridge on the North Carolina rail-Southern would build a line between Claytor and Springhope, but positive assurances were given that there was nothing in it. It would effect no saving of distance between Raleigh and Norfolk. The Southern railway has extensive gravel pits at Claytor, and has sen a force of laborers and mules to work at these. It is quite on the cards that some day a line may be built direct from Wilson to Tarboro'. This will shorten the distance between Raleigh and Norfolk (welve miles by the Southern's route.

Winston, of Bertle; Donnell Gilliam, of

H. L. Grant, of Goldsboro, was here to-day. Yesterday he wrote a friend here he was sure of election as Sergeant-at-Arms of the United States Senate. To-day he did not look very hopeful, and one of his friends said he was somewhat discouraged, the fear apparently being that Senator Butler would not vote for

the counsel of Francis Winslow, of the naval reserves, in his suit to test Governor Carr's right to revoke his commission, is that the section of the Code which gave the Governor power to revoke commissions was repealed by the subsequent act, which is a complete scheme for the government of the militia and which, without saying so, repeals all former acts; and that even if the section of the Code in question is in force, the Governor cannot revoke a commission, save in cases where an organization is mustered out, save upon the finding is mustered out, save upon the finding of a court-martial; and that under the new militia act power to remove without a court of inquiry only exists in time of war.

NEW BERNE'S FAIR,

The Citizens' National Bank of this city is now a designated depository. For several years the government funds for this district have been deposited in a Norfolk bank. The Citizens' National gets \$20,000 of the new bonds.

Thomas, a Republican and Al-man, of Thomasville, writes a stronger argument still was the \$105,000 semi-annual dividend, which State-Treasurer Worth received yesterday.

ANOTHER OYSTER WAR. Virginians Said to Be Robbing North

· Carolina Beds. RALEIGH, N. C., February II .- (Special.)-From persons who arrived here this evening it is learned that another oyster war is imminent, this time in Pamlico county, where dredging vessels Pamileo county, where dredging vessels from Virginia are taking all sorts of oysters from the natural beds for seed purposes. The vessels carry no marks on their sails, and dredge both day and night. They half load the vessels there, and then, in order to pass the oyster patrol at Coinjock bridge, cover the small oysters with merchantable ones. They are taking oysters, it is said, to replant in Virginia beds. The Pamileo people have made regular complaints to the authorities of this robbery of the natural oyster-grounds, and say if it is not stopped they will certainly take the law into their own hands. their own hands.

DROWNED WHILE FISHING.

A Sad Accident at Greenville, North

GREENVILLE, N. C., February 11 .-(Special.)-This afternoon Messrs, H. J. Hoyle and A. H. Critcher were in a boat fishing for shad with a skim-net. As Hoyle was raising the net it was In an Incendiary Fire in Norfolk struck by a flurry of wind and the boat capsized. Hoyle was drowned, but Critcher succeeded in reaching a tree and clung to it until another boat was sent out from the shore, and he was rescued.

There is a big freshet in the river, which may prevent the body's being recovered before the water subsides, and it may not be found even then.

Assignment at Winston.

WINSTON, N. C., February II.—Johnson, Crater & Co., general merchants, assigned here this morning, naming S. W. Blair as trustee. The assets and liabilities are not known. The failure was caused by pressure of northern creditors.

SHARP GOLD-BRICK WAY.

A Birmingham, Ala., telegram of Sat

One Operating in Alabama Arcested-Bond Couldn't Hold Blm.

Thompson is alleged to be the leader of a gang of gold-brick swindlers, who last spring sold bricks to Tom Dobbins

papers, which McDonald secured. He was placed in jail here last Saturday, and at once employed three attorneys. Two men, alleged to be pais of Frait, appeared. On Tuesday Pratt was indicted by the grand jury on charges of obtaining money by false pretence and grand larceny. On Friday his attorneys procured a writ of habeas corpus, and had his bond fixed at \$6,000 by Judge Green, of the Criminal Court. The attorneys produced that amount of cash, and placed it in the hands of the Sheriff for bail, Pratt was then released, but was rearrested on an order from Chattanooga, alleging he was wanted there for some sort of swindling. Governor Oates notified Sheriff Morrow that he would refuse a request for Pratt from another State while the prior charges here were pending, and Judge Greeno ordered his release on the bond given.

Pratt went away, but nobody knows where. Pratt is about 20 years olds six feet, three inches, weighing about 175 pounds, has keen, blue eyes, is clean shaven, well dressed, has perfect teeth, dark hair, a small nose, and is very quiet in his demeanor. He has the appearance of a gentleman and is a close observer and very quick. He talked very little while in custody, except to protest his innocence and deny all charges. He resisted all efforts to take his picture and refused to sign his name to his bond, only making his mark. The officers say he is the slickest man ever behind the bars here. He was identified as the leader of the "gold-brick" gang, not only by Dobbins, but also by several clerks at the bank where Dobbins got his money. A hotel clerk also identified him as the man seen with Dobbins, Pratt having stopped at the hotel here for several days last spring. Although Pratt says he will come back and stand trial, the police hardly think he will ever be seen here again. From Pratt's description many here are inclined to believe that he is none other than Peto Conliek, one of the most noted "gold-brick" workers in the country.

NORTHAMPTON.

The Alleged Poisoning Case-Local Option-Brief Mention.

EASTVILLE, VA., February II .- (Speial.)-Edward W. Leatherbury, who charged with having caused the death of John Watson (colored) by giving him poison in a drink of cider, was arrested on Sunday morning and brought to jail here. He was given a preliminary hearing be-fore Justice Nottingham this morning and admitted to ball in the sum of \$250 to appear at the March term of the County

The Good Templars are surred up over the local-option question. A meeting of those interested in the temperance cause was held in the Young Men's Christian Association Hall at this place to-day. The New York, Philadelphia, and Norfolk railroad have purchased a lot opposite the place where the old station stood, on which to erect a new one.

Mr. David Bull, of near Bird's Nest, this county, died last week at the age of 78 years.

from their extended northern PRETTY HOME WEDDING.

Mr. W. D. Sarvay and Miss Jennie

St. Clair Booth.

AMELIA. February II.—(Special.)—
Woodlawn, in this county, the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. S. J. Booth, was on yesterday the scene of a pretty noon wedding. Amid decorations of evergreens and beneath the soft glow of shaded lamps, Rev. E. V. Carson united wedding. Amid decorations of ever-greens and beneath the soft glow of shaded lamps, Rev. E. V. Carson united in marriage Mr. Walter Duncan Sarvay and Miss Jennie St. Clair Booth, daugh-ter of the late Dr. W. C. Booth. The bride was handsomely gowned in ivory satin, and carried Bride roses. The broth-ers and sisters of the copie acted as at-tendants the ways belies wearing white

For of the bride's parents a day or two

Circuit Court is in session here this week, Judge William T. Miller, of Wise, presiding. There is about the usual amount of business to transact at this term. Quite a number of people are in attendance, and "Jockey street" seems to be the centre of attraction. County- and Circuit-Court-Clerk Joshua

C. County, has been confined to the sick room for some days past, but is thought to be slightly improving at this writing. There is a great deal of complaint of grip in Clintwood and vicinity now. The winter, upon the whole, has been rather open so far. The weather is rather warm now, and the grass is beginning to grow. It is the mildest winter we have had since 1889-90.

Four Handred Dollars Offered-A

School-House Burned. WOODSTOCK, VA., February II.—(Spe-ial.)—C. P. Wightman, Sheriff of this ounty, to-day offered \$409 reward for the apture and delivery of Elmer Wethe-oltz, who killed his wife on February 3d. Wetheroits is 26 years old, 5 feet 10 inches in height, has black hair, brown eyes, fair complexion, and black moustache; is stoop-shouldered, and carries his head to one side. He has a scar on

County-Business-Men Protest. NORFOLK, VA., February II.—(Special.)—At an incendiary fire, which occurred in Norfolk county early this morning, a colored man named Robert Meekins was burned to a crisp. He, with his wife, slept in the second story of the house, and, though the latter tried to arouse her husband her efforts were unsuccessful.

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At meetings of the Chamber of Commerce, Business-Men's Association, and Norfolk and Portsmouth Cotton Exchange held here to-night resolutions were adopted protesting against and asking the repeal of Senate Bill 159, to regulate the insurance business in Virginia, and protesting against House Bill No. 105, regarding assessment of taxation. A committee was appointed to go to Richmond with the resolutions.

An Italian Who Thought He Was Going to Be Executed

TO WOMEN!

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aches. Women are oftentimes weak, gloomy and despondent.

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Women can avoid all this suffering by taking Warner's Safe Cure.

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HOW MISS BRYAN MET DEATH. Cocoane Believed to He the Drug

Used to Kill Her. The slow process of solution of the Pearl Bryan murder mystery now point to Thursday night as the night of the murder, and to the use of cocaine as a means to the vile end, says a Cincinnat telegram. Druggist Ulen, of west Sixte street, Cincinnati, has notified the police that on Wednesday before the murd-Jackson called at his place and asked

NEW BERNE'S FAIR.

New Berne is making unusual preparations for the fish oyster, and game fair, this month. One of the features will be the presentation of a flag sent by the City of Berne, Switzerland. The Swiss Minister to this country will make the presentation. Some years ago Mayor Manly, of New Berne, went to Berne as the representative of the latter city's thriving namesake. There are to be four balloon ascensions during the fair, New Berne's fine, new shell roads and streets have caused a remarkable increase in the number of bicycles there.

There is a great deal of talk in this revenue district about the abolition of the fee-system. High authority said taday the system could not be abolished without abolishing; the internal revenue system, as otherwise, the deputies living on salaries, they would not see an illicit distillery if they could avoid it. The complaints as to the conduct of United States commissioners and deputy marshals come from Durham, Person, Granville, and Chatham counties, it is likely that there will be some changes in commissioners and deputy marshals come from Durham, Person, Granville, and Chatham counties, it is likely that there will be some changes in commissioners and deputy marshals come from Durham, Person, Granville, and Chatham counties, it is likely that there will be some changes in commissioners and deputy marshalic color the feets and the county of the county of the conduct of United States commissioners and deputy marshale counties, it is likely that there will be some changes in commissioners and deputy marshale counties, it is likely that there will be some changes in commissioners and deputy marshale counties, it is likely that there will be some changes in commissioners and caputy marshale counties, it is likely that there will be some changes in commissioners and caputy marshale counties, and counties and decrease an illustration of the bride's parents a day or two internal revenue

There is no place ye stopping-place for Pearl Bryan after she left the Indiana House on Wednesday. Somebody must know besides the murderers, but, so far, no one has volunteered to give the information to the police. Death by cocains, it is said, it more difficult to trace than by any other draw and hence the continued mystery

drug, and hence the continued mystery in the case. Since the friends of Jackson and Since the friends of Jackson and Walting have retained a number of prominent lawyers the prisoners are no long-keeping up their confessions against each other. Walling has repeated his statements about Jackson securing the coming and the cab, and these points are confirmed by the druggist and others. As already stated, since Jackson confessed to the clergy, he has become verseleus in his devotion. He is reading the Bible, and wrote his mother, at Greek Castle, Ind., a letter, which was intended to cheer his up. The officers accertained that this letter agreed with the confession, in which he said he adcortained that this letter agreed with the confession, in which he said he ad-vised Wood to send Pearl Bryan hero and then secured Walling for the opera-

The officers have secured the original copy of a letter from Jackson to William Woods, in which Jackson outlined a letter for Woods to write to Mrs. Bryan and sign the name of Pearl. This letter was to be sent to a trusted friend at Lafayette, Ind., named Smith. The highest wind that has visited this county for many years prevailed last night and throughout the day.

An alarm of fire during the day caused consternation among the people. The fire proved to be a burning chimney.

Hattle's school-house, a county school building, situated about one mile south of this place, was destroyed by fire this morning.

BURNED TO A County of the search of the sea

on last Monday saw a man get from the street-car with a puckage and pro-ceed toward the Dayton sand-bar. Max-well visited the city prison and identified. Walling among other prisoners as the man who had taken the package to the sand-bar.

James Higgins has been taking great interest in this mystery, and an inquest of lunacy was held on bim, and he was sent to the Long View Asyluta by the Probate Judge. Death of a Pioneer.

Death of a Pioneer.

A dispatch from Seattle, Washington State, says: "Hillory Butler, one of the wealthiest and best-known pioneers of Purget sound, died Monday last. He was born in Rappahannock county, Va., March. 1819. His ancestors were among the early settlers of Virginia, and his grandfather on his father's side was a soldier in the Revolutionary war under Washington. Hillory Butler had very few educational advantages, and struck out for himself in 1812. He worked as an owner of sieves in Missouri, but had to give up the position owing to ill health. He then went to the Piatte Purchass making the trip on horseback, it was caught in a severe storm, and strandito say, it cured him of the chills. It April, 1822, Butler crossed the plains to Oregon, and in the following year were to Olympia, Wash, from which place he moved to Seattle. Either for a small sam or gratuituously. Butler obtained a bit 120 feet square, at the corrier of James atreet and Second ayeaue. Three years ago he sold this property for 1820 huller was one of the ploneer ulaged drivers to Olympia, and was always delighted to taik 'base.' So far as henown, he does not leave a relative.